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Ceremony to celebrate completion of one project, start of another

Residents and motorists who normally use Zarzamora Street on the South Side are invited to a dual groundbreaking and ribbon-cutting ceremony to celebrate infrastructure renovations and improvements.

The ceremony is scheduled for 10 a.m. Wednesday, June 18, in the parking lot of St. Leonard's Catholic Church, 8510 S. Zarzamora St.

Staff from City Council Districts 3 and 4 and the City's Capital Improvements Management Services Department will join community members in celebrating the completion of the Ansley Boulevard project and the upcoming reconstruction of Zarzamora. Ansley and Zarzamora intersect between Hutchins and Gillette streets.

The Ansley project, funded by 1999 and 2003 general obligation drainage improvement bonds, included reconstruction from Zarzamora to Wilma Jean with a 30-foot-wide street section (two lanes) with 4-foot sidewalks, curbs, driveway approaches, underground drainage, and earthen channel work. The previous earthen channel was upgraded to a 70-foot earthen channel west of Rockwell to the railroad tracks and from the railroad tracks to the existing concrete chute at Six Mile Creek.

The majority of the Ansley project is in Council District 4. A small portion east of the railroad tracks is in District 3. The District 3 and 4 Council members are Jennifer Ramos and Philip Cortez, respectively.

Alamo Consulting Engineering and Surveying was the consultant and San Antonio Constructors was the contractor for the Ansley project. The June 18 ceremony will celebrate the project completion with a ribbon-cutting.

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The Zarzamora project, meanwhile, includes rebuilding the thoroughfare to five lanes – 62-foot travel lanes and two 5-foot bike lanes for a total of 72-foot pavement. Curbs, sidewalks, and driveway approaches will be incorporated into the project from Loop 410 to Hutchins Street. The project also provides for the design and construction of improvements of Hunter Boulevard from Zarzamora to Janice Lavon, the drainage ditch north of Betty Street, and the drainage ditch from Zarzamora/Hunter to Ansley/Rockwell. The Zarzamora project is in District 4.

Construction begins this month and is scheduled for completion in the spring of 2010. The project is part of the City's \$550 Million Bond Program, which San Antonio voters approved in May 2007. Community leaders will turn ceremonial shovels to mark the start of construction.

Lockwood, Andrews and Newnam Inc. is the consultant and Texas Sterling Construction Co. is the contractor for the \$17 million Zarzamora project.